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ORDER STATE OF MONTANA
OF
DISCIPLINE

IN THE MATTER OF KARL P. SEEL,

An Attorney at Law,

Respondent.

Following a private Rule 26 hearing on May 21, 2010, the Commission on Practice (Commission) has submitted its findings of fact, conclusions of law, and recommendation that we accept the admissions and proposed discipline set forth in Karl Seel's Conditional Admission and Affidavit of Consent in this matter. The Commission unanimously recommends that, for his breach of ethical duties, Seel be publicly censured by this Court and that he be assessed with the cost of these proceedings.

The Court has now reviewed this matter. Based upon the foregoing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

1. The Commission's recommendation that we accept Karl Seel's Conditional Admission is hereby ACCEPTED.

2. Karl Seel shall be publicly censured by the Supreme Court of the State of Montana for his conduct in the matters described in his Conditional Admission and Affidavit of Consent, and the Commission's Recommendation to Approve Rule 26 Tendered Admission. Seel shall appear before this Court on the 15th day of September, 2010, at 1:30 o'clock, p.m., at which time the public censure will issue.

3. In addition to the foregoing, Seel shall pay the costs of these proceedings in accordance with the statement to be provided by the Office of Disciplinary Counsel.


Pursuant to Rule 9(A)(8) of the Montana Rules for Lawyer Disciplinary Enforcement, Seel shall have 10 days from the date of service of the statement of costs within which to file with the Commission any objections to the costs assessed against him. Should he so desire, Seel may request a hearing before an adjudicatory panel on whether the amount of such costs is reasonable and necessary. The adjudicatory panel shall thereafter recommend an amount of costs to be imposed and shall file its recommendation, along with any objections thereto, with this Court, which shall then issue an appropriate order assessing costs.

4. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Clerk of this Court shall provide copies of this Order of Discipline to the Respondent's counsel, Michael F. McMahon; Disciplinary Counsel Shaun Thompson; Shauna Ryan, Office Administrator for the Commission on Practice; the Clerks of all the District Courts of the State of Montana with the request that each Clerk provide a copy to each District Judge for that Clerk's county; the Clerk of the Federal District Court for the District of Montana; the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Appeals of the Ninth Circuit; and the Executive Director of the State Bar of Montana.

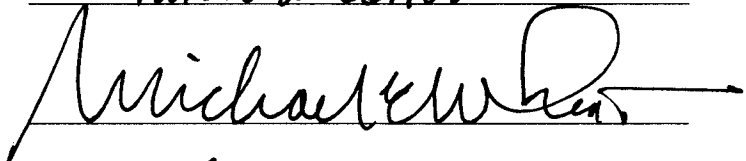
DATED this 3rd day of August, 2010.



Chief Justice



Patricia Cotter



Michael F. McMahon



Shaun Thompson

Brian V. Mori

Justices